

1,2,3 John and Jude

Lesson 10 — Student Guide

Prepare for class: Read 1,2, and 3 John and Jude. Focus on 1 John 3:1-3.

Lesson Goal

The goal of this lesson is to answer the following question: **What does it mean to be children of God?**

Think

Evaluate

1. Who are the characters in this story?
2. What are the objects in this story?
3. Where did this story happen?
4. When did this story happen?
5. What is the problem?
6. What events occurred in this story?
7. Is the problem solved?

Learn

8. What is the main theme of this lesson?
9. What sin does this lesson teach us to confess?
10. Where do you see the love of God in this lesson?
11. What does God teach us to do in this lesson?

Lead

12. What would be a good situation in which to share this message?

Discussion

13. What is the main message of John's first epistle?
14. What are John's second and third epistles about?
15. Who was Jude, and what is the general message of his book?
16. In his three epistles, John was concerned with the false doctrine known as Gnosticism. Gnosticism was also the main reason for Paul's epistle to the Colossians. What is Gnosticism?
17. John writes, "This is the one who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ. He did not come by water alone, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who testifies, because the Spirit is truth. For there are three that testify: the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and the three are in agreement." (1 John 5:6-8). What does that mean?
18. John writes, "But you know that he appeared so that he might take away our sins. And in him is no sin. No one who lives in him keeps on sinning. No one who continues to sin has either seen him or known him" (1 John 3:5,6). How should we interpret those words?
19. 1 John 5:16 says, "If anyone sees his brother commit a sin that does not lead to death, he should pray and God will give him life. I refer to those whose sin does not lead to death. There is a sin that leads to death. I am not saying he should pray about that." What is the sin that leads to death?

Lesson wrap-up

What does it mean to be children of God?